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It is quite remarkable that the men in Chicago who refused to obey Powderly's order were, most of them, Knights of Labor.

King Christian says that if his son would accept the throne, he would have been a Jack instead of a King, and that the game being played in Bulgaria, the Czar might take him.

You will see very shortly that politicians who have mismanaged the affairs of the party will try to lay the consequences on the sensible men who tried to persuade them to the right course and could not consent to follow folly.

The *Critic* has a beautiful dispatch from Hell for Sartin relating the particulars of the dispute in the *whar-whoop* between Colonel McSwiggie and Judge Waxem. There is an alleged letter from the President giving some choice views on Civil Service Reform.

The cases of Messrs. George A. Barksdale and Peter Warwick were dismissed in the Hustings Court yesterday.

The friends of the parties were relieved from a great deal of anxiety, which was incident to this affair, though they felt confident that the final result would acquit the parties honorably.

A report of the case is published in another column.

Richmond can congratulate herself on the blessings of a good climate in remarking the weather reports of the last few days that have closed the fall season for all the country north of us down to Washington.

But as old winter rings down his snowy curtain on the glorious picture of the autumn, he seems to have left us in a prosencium box, whence we can get a glimpse of him still struggling in vain to "strike the scene."

Hon. George D. Wise publishes a card this morning referring to Colonel Lamb's reported charges against him. In the position that Mr. Wise's card places Mr. Lamb, the latter must incur a great deal of odium if he particularizes any charge that offends decency, unless it is an integral part of Wise's official character. And even if it were a matter belonging to Wise's public character, the responsibility of all the bad odor, if there should be any, would belong to Lamb, as, according to Mr. Wise, it was Lamb who brought out the charge—whatever it be.

Fechter used to say in the *Lady of Lyons*: "Po-leen, voodst haf me baint de abod vere lofe vood leat dy vooddsdebs? At de voot of a mountain a lague, surrounded mit voods dat chould be musigal mit birds dat garolled dy name." And then, when Po-leen finds out that the Valley of Como is a shanty, we all remember how she makes the circumambient air of the kitchen musical with an injured woman's just indignation.

And that reminds us of the jocund and smiling vale of beautiful untaxable natural scenery, with a many turritured Riddleberger castle and a general beatific sort of universal free-lunch expression on the entire landscape; when suddenly the enchanted vision changes to a horrible place and the fair maiden (Virginia) beholds herself in a hovel, whose crannies are bristling with coupons. And this is Riddleberger castle.

THE VIRGINIA DEMOCRACY.

The papers have acquitted themselves well in explaining the reasons for the defeat of the Democracy in several congressional districts.

The Staunton *Vindicator*, whose editor is a shrewd and capable observer, enumerates the honors accorded to Virginians by President Cleveland, and the showing is good as far as Mr. Cleveland is concerned, to show that he had nothing to do with it; but the great fact remains that there are thousands of young men—and others who had no claims from social positions to any recognition by what they call the Bourbons—who think now, as they did in the Cameron-Daniel campaign, that we want more sense and muscle, and less sentiment and caste.

When a Mahone Republican last year called Ayers a little "cart driver" he gave the Democrats a word that was enough to elect their candidate.

The men who have been made ministers and consuls, as the *Vindicator* enumerates them, are all doubtless gentlemen of character; but a political party with the most significant name that ever christened a party should never forget that its principles must not indicate a misnomer, and it cannot be denied that the shrewd old Senator was right in 1881, who said that traditional Bourbonism, and not Mahone, beat the Democracy of Virginia.

The Republicans showed the other day that they could win an election without Mahone; and if they put forward anything plausible as a platform for the next Legislative contest, and find the Democracy in its present position, they will indubitably sweep the State.

It is the very moment for the leaders of our party to take a new departure with principles that are sound, and men that are representative.

We can do nothing when the people see the absurdity of fighting the United States courts, and when they see the control of affairs handed over to men of excellent character, but who belong to a past period.

A BLUNDER.

At the meeting of the Central Labor Union in New York, on Sunday, Mrs. McDonald, secretary of the Labor Lecture League, made a lurid harangue in behalf of the Chicago Anarchists, the object being to get up petitions for a new trial.

A resolution to appoint a committee of ten to prepare petitions to the authorities of Illinois, to be circulated among the trade and labor organizations of the city, was unanimously adopted. Indeed, there was even a scramble to serve on such a committee. A Progressive cigar-maker was made chairman, and even the building trades, famous for their conservatism, were represented on it.

It is greatly to be regretted that any set of workmen should allow themselves to be even suspected of identity or sympathy with the most atrocious criminals of the time; and Mrs. McDonald's speech would doubtless illustrate the practical remark of a famous philosopher concerning popular audiences—that the orator should understand that a mass of people had emotion and passion, but no sense. It is true that the Central Labor Union bases its petition on the ground that the trial was not a fair one, but there are a plenty of lawyers to represent that view of the case, and the world will accept any such actions by Labor organizations as indicative of sympathy, though this is disclaimed.

COLONEL BOB INGERSOLL.

This luminous humbug made a speech before the Secular Congress in New York on Sunday night, and took his text from *King Lear*—"Poor, naked creatures, whosoever you are, &c."—and descanted at length, and with manufactured pathos, on the sufferings of man under stress of poverty and want.

The Colonel has made a fortune with his brilliant lectures on the "Mistakes of Moses" and such like topics which he can make popular with sensationally-disposed audiences. But after all his pretence to philosophy, he is nothing but a fourth or fifth-rate man in the intellectual profession which he has practiced for thirty years.

After wearing out his tawdry lectures against religion, when they will no longer draw, he gets into another sensational field and bills himself as the great champion of the poor.

It was predicted for him long ago that his last attempt would be as a preacher, which would certainly be the only great harm he could do the Church.

The reception accorded M. Herbetie by Prince Bismarck Saturday was not favorable to the French designs in Egypt. It is reported that M. Herbetie assured the Chancellor of the neutrality of France in the event of a war in the East.

SPECIAL AND PERSONAL.

The new *Scribner's Magazine* will appear December 15th.

A portiere, embroidered to represent the different States, has been presented to Mr. Corcoran.

Adelina Patti, the diva, is again on our shores. And anon all other stars of opera will pale before the brightest particular luminary.

A subscriber from Coon Hollow writes word that he doesn't want to hear any more about a Harvard Cesqui-Centennial, and that an old time goose-pulling or tournament is good enough for him.

The President and Mrs. Cleveland drove out to their country home on Sunday afternoon in spite of the bleak and cutting wind, says the society reporter. Let those who are not Presidents rejoice that they can live in Richmond and have beautiful weather that makes existence a pleasure when other mortals are freezing.

"Seaton?"

"Sire."

"Bring us our policy. We will presently don it and show ourselves to the foe. Send out scouts, harry the country round, and if they can but catch the enemy asleep, seize his nightmare or any other live stock, and sell it for taxes. And hark ye, Seaton, the weird sisters did declare that naught could prevail against us till Burnham Wood should come to Dunsinane. A sure thing—hey, Seaton?"

"Sire, I should smile."

"With Apollinaris, good Seaton."

Mr. John S. Summers, of Dallas, Tex., and Miss Janie Van Arsdale, of Pleasant Run, Washington county, were married at Jeffersonville Friday night. In 1879 Mr. Summers was a prosperous young stock-trader of Marion county, and Miss Van Arsdale was just blooming into womanhood. Her father was a wealthy farmer and she his only child.

They met, they loved, they were wed. But in Texas the peculiar method of settling misunderstandings caused the young husband to be sent to his dungeon cell for a too-free use of the revolver. The couple were divorced, and after many years they have again been married.

"How romantic!" says our fair reader: "But, oh! don't let them go to horrid Texas again."

A GENERAL CENTENNIAL SHOW.

Columbus and the Revolution to Share the Honors.

The New York *Sun* in speaking of the proposed grand celebration in Washington recites the advantages at length:

"One of these maps brings to the eye the fact that a radius of 210 miles from the Capitol dome will take in New York on the northeast, Pittsburg on the northwest, White Sulphur Springs on the southwest, and so on.

"The members of the Board of Promotion consider the matter they have in charge as of 'transcendent political and practical importance.' The hundredth anniversary of the foundation of our Government and the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America are historical events of 'hemispherical and world-wide' significance. It appears that St. Louis, Chicago, the City of Mexico, and New York are all anxious to hold world's fairs in 1892, in honor of the great exploit of Columbus; but none of these cities can compete with Washington, the Paris of America, in attractions and beauty, and a city destined to be the Berlin of America in educational facilities."

Report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

The annual report of Commissioner Joseph S. Miller, of the Internal Revenue Bureau, is an elaborate document of 115 pages, and contains an unusual amount of information relative to the service during the past fiscal year. Total receipts from all sources for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1886, were \$116,302,869, as compared with \$112,421,121 for the year 1885, \$121,590,039 for the year 1884, \$144,553,344 for the year 1883, and \$146,523,373 for the year 1882. There was a large increase over last year in all articles of taxation except snuff. The principle increase was in cigars, cigarettes, and spirits distilled from grain. The cost of collection during the year was \$4,299,485, being about 3.6 per cent. of the amount collected. The collection during the previous year cost \$4,455,430, or about 3.9 per cent. of the amount collected. It is estimated that the sum of \$118,000,000 will be collected during the current fiscal year from the various sources of internal revenue.

Facts in the Revenue Report.

Two facts are brought out in the annual report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. One is that the centre of the tobacco manufactures of the Union is in New York State, and not in the South. Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Illinois follow New York in the order named. The second fact is that the change of Administration has not produced that reign of free whiskey in the South which was confidently predicted two years ago. In North Carolina the number of registered distilleries increased during the fiscal year from 1,590 to 1,890, or about 19 per cent., and in West Virginia from 1,118 to 1,344, or nearly 23 per cent.—*New York Times*.

Josiah Leedy, of Wythe county, was born in 1813, and his wife Sallie in 1818. They were blessed with seventeen children, fourteen of whom are now living. They have had eighty-five grandchildren, sixty-eight of whom are now living, and the pyramid is crowned with a great-grandchild. Total living members of this family are eighty-five.

A CARD FROM HON. GEO. D. WISE.

[Communicated.]
To the Public.

The urgency of friends, whose judgments I respect, and my own taste, have been averse to any notice of the statements in regard to myself attributed to William Lamb, of Norfolk, in various newspapers recently published. But reiterated rumors of a contemplated duel between him and myself, accompanied by the assertion of gross insult offered by him to me, have been so widely circulated, as to render it necessary for me, who, as a public servant, bear distinct relations and responsibilities to society, to publish this card.

It is not true, as stated in many newspapers, that I have ever had a quarrel with William Lamb. It is true, as I have discovered, not by application to himself, with whom I can have no communication, but to friends in Norfolk, whither I went for the purpose, that in a public speech, delivered there during the recent canvass, he stated that he had been told that I was guilty of immoralities, which I will not undertake to repeat. This emanated from him, let it be added, without previous provocation from me, outside of my congressional district, where my claims for congressional honors were in no sense an appropriate subject for discussion. A discriminating public will hold me blameless when, under circumstances like these, and impelled by a supreme and righteous indignation, I depart from the even tenor of my way to declare the charge referred to utterly false and baseless, in whole and in part; the author of it an infamous liar, and the purveyor of the scandal to the public ear a filthy scoundrel, fit only for the scorn and contempt of all honorable gentlemen.

I have stated that I have never had a quarrel with William Lamb, and I can have none with him, now or hereafter, because he is a blackguard in more senses than as the promulgator of baseless slander, and a coward in more views than in causing, as the report of his townsmen has it, his own arrest to escape a duel which he pretended to accept. Respectfully,
GEO. D. WISE.

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